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**Notice of Appeal From the Examiner to the Board
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Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Applicant hereby appeals to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the final decision of the Examiner dated March 27, 2001, in which claims 2-11 and 13-34 were finally or twice rejected.

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Respectfully submitted,

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